



Club #85, founded Oct 2, 1913

April 20<sup>th</sup> 2010

**Attendance:** John Bishop, Bertrand de Cardailiac, Carlo Pugliese, Steve Sadler, George Shalhoub, Nemo Turner, Drew Webster, Henry Zalzal, Mike Zivic. Visiting Rotarian: Alessandro Scaletti, RC Roma, Italia.

**President Nemo** opened the meeting with a humorous story about an alarm clock. He invited our visitor from Rome to speak about his club. They have over 200 members in RC Roma and it is one of about 24 clubs in the metropolitan area bearing the word Roma in its name. **Alessandro Scaletti** is an architect and was in



Montreal on business, not for the first time.

**President Nemo** explained that today's meeting was a Club Assembly. He proposed the following agenda: 1) His report of the Cornwall meeting; 2) **Carlo Pugliese** on Foundation Walk and Golf Tournament; 3) **Steve Sadler** on Public Speaking; 4) **Drew Webster** on next week's speaker; 5) Home Hospitality; 6) Questions from members.

1) **President Nemo** and **VP Bertrand** attended the combined District Assembly and PETS conference in Cornwall on the weekend. There was a good turnout. It was announced that 20,000 registrations for the Convention have been received. Nemo showed the \$39 red T-shirt that is being used to identify local Rotarian volunteers. He has a supply of Rotary lapel pins for our new members. Nemo spoke about the process of inviting guests to hear convention speakers. It seems complicated.

2) **Carlo** gave details about the Foundation Walk on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The club's table will be at Beaver Lake. He asked for volunteers to man it and three pairs of hands shot up. He will be walking and would be pleased if members would sponsor him. Regarding golf, Carlo reported that the committee had met on Monday night. Our needs were the same as always – sponsors and players. He said that Bertrand had given him a gift for the tournament this morning and that it was gift #5 from Bertrand.

3) Steve said a few words about the judges and topics for May 4<sup>th</sup>. He needs another judge and it should be female.

Members suggested the names of Catherine Lapointe, Wanda Bedard and Manon from RC Laval. Members agreed with the suggested topic: the future of the world is in my hands – l'avenir du monde est entre mes mains.

4) **Drew Webster** said next week's speaker needed a means of showing a DVD. **Carlo** agreed to bring a portable DVD player.

5) Home hospitality: On Monday, June 21, our club will receive up



to 25 Rotarian visitors and their partners at the McGill Faculty Club. President Nemo handed Treasurer Steve Sadler a cheque for \$200 to cover the cost of his ticket and that of his guest. This was the start of the financing for the evening and members are invited to follow his

lead.

6) Questions: The issue of improving attendance at club meetings was raised. The President went over a list of non-attending members and as the names were read, members in the room took on to phone their non-attending colleagues. They can expect a phone call in the near future.

**Next Meeting:** April 27<sup>th</sup>

**Speaker:** Christopher Hingley, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

**Topic:** Growing and developing despite the current crisis-- blood diamonds and Petra Schools

**Location:** The Saint James Club at 7.30 am

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**Up-coming Meetings:**

**May 4<sup>th</sup> at 12.30 pm:** The Public Speaking Finals – 71 non-stop years since 1940.